GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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RESERVATION IN PRIVATE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recently written to organizations/Associations of Indian Industry asking them to publish the data relating to SCs/STs recruits employed by them in their Annual Report by the end of March,2007;

(b) if so, the response of the Indian corporate;

(c) the number of companies that have responded and complied with the direction of the Government; and

(d) the various steps that have been taken by the Government prompting the Indian Industry to take affirmative action for providing reservation to SCs/STs?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (d) A Coordination Committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister to carry forward the dialogue with Industry on affirmative action in private sector. Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, who is the Member/Convener of the Committee, held discussions with representatives of Apex Industry Associations. Subsequently, the Committee held discussions with representatives of Apex Industry Chambers/Associations under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister. The discussions primarily centered around the measures by industry for enhancing skill development and increasing employ ability.

Incorporating data on recruitment of SCs/STs in the Annual Reports of companies was also considered during the discussions`. The Industry Chambers have agreed to report the data on SC/ST employment in the Annual Report of companies on a voluntary basis.